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SUMMARY

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105 CMR 170.000, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System Regulations (Statewide EMS Minimum Data Set Reporting Requirement)

NOTE: This is a summary of the changes made in these Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) EMS regulations only. Read the actual regulations for definitive and specific requirements of these changes. This provision is further defined and explained in an administrative requirement (A/R), A/R 5-403, which can be found on this website as well.

I. Statewide EMS Minimum Data Set Reporting Requirement (105 CMR 170.345(B))

This amendment makes a change to the ambulance trip record minimum data requirement in this section of the EMS System Regulations, to implement a comprehensive statewide EMS data collection that is compliant with the National EMS Information System Dataset (NEMSIS), a national standard that virtually all the states have committed to adopting, and some have already implemented. The amendment deleted the existing 6 general categories of elements that were previously required to be included in each ambulance trip record, and instead requires the trip record contain the data elements specified in an administrative requirement of the Department. This A/R, 5-403, has now been issued.

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